And make the surplus hum. We're all for Blaine in this campaign. Which gladly we begin; For he's the man to suit our plan, And keep the rascals in.

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To help us put in Blaine. The Custom Houses we must keep, The postal service, too, And we shall wake while others sleep,

The party's work to do: So they who wish to swim like fish, All in the surplus pool, Had better come and join, by gum!

The Blaine and Logan school.

The Independent folks may kick, The bolters scratch and squeat: Their case we mean to settle quick, Soon as we get the deal. We loudly bugh at all their chaff As quite too dry and thin, While we with Blaine run this campaign To keep the rascals in.

### ME. BEOWNE'S HEETERSS.

"If you mean to go in for art, old before you attain success, especially if whole business, and know all about

I have since proved his words to be artist. true, although I have less cause to complain than many of my comprades of the brush, for a lucky accident provided my wife and myself with the means of living till I got a fair start. But I passed through some galev-ous experiences before that had hap-

When I had begun to make a little progress, and had saved enough money to enable me to do so, I determined to give myself several weeks stay in

it was with a host of pleasant anticipations that I jumped into a third-class carriage at Liverpool street, and, after that the feeling was mutual.

With some difficulty I managed to quarrel. open it for him, just as the station-

train to move on. The porter, catching sight of me open the door, which the official had

Catching him as he fell, while the her no more. porter at the same moment signaled

for the train to stop, I was fortunate enough to extricate the old gentleman from his perilous position, "It's Mr. Browne! I hope you're not jous he was looking. hurt, sir!" exclaimed the station-mas-

ter, coming up.

this gentleman-"He knows 'twarn't my fault," said

"In that case," began the station-

"Correct! The rascal--I--Ithe last moment, after some difficulty, pair with it. I opened it myself."

waiting-room.

carriage is waiting," he replied, taking Genevieve. "If I could only see her my arm, and answering only by a once more!" I thought, as I pounded restorer to whom I had taken it.

"You see, Mr. Browne, it's not your ing willingly to to his eager words; usual train, sir," replied the crestfallen official. "Will you let me send the were raised—she spoke vehemently doctor on?" he asked.

"No!" roared the old gentleman. "I think that would be the wisest plan," I suggested; "for though I claim; "and you are a coward!" think it can be nothing more serious than a bad sprain-'

know about it? I tell you I'm in her persecutor had measured his agony. Well," to the station-master, length on the ground, while I recled lager beer saloon and demanded of the who stood awaiting his instructions, and fell, for a great darkness swam be-'why d'ye stand gaping there?" Then fore me, then all was blank. to me; as I turned to go, "Get in, can't you? Get in!"

way to the inn," I replied, rather stifly, ate, cruel, merry; events following one for I did not relish the tone of the another with inconceivable rapidity. "Yes

Pm mad with pain?" he asked irrita-bly. "Is it likely that I am going to let you go to a wretched country pub-lic-house—it's nothing better—after worn face as it bent anxiously over

saving my life?" choleric old gentleman was really distressed at my refusal, I yielded to his Gradually recollection returned, then will, when you are ready to start, meet you and secure your tickers, cheek wish, and after half an hour's drive followed the tedium of a long and "Drank what?" found myself established as an honor- weary convalescence, during which I ed guest in his hxurious home. He learned that they had sent every day insisted that I should take up my from Dalehurst to inquire about me, quarters there during my stay at W-. and had also sent fruit and flowers herself out of the door.

Every obstacle that I raised was sur- continually till I was out of danger, mounted by him with such persever- and that they had now gone abroad. ance that, in spite of myself, I was

forced to yield to his desire. It was certainly pleasant at Dale-burst. All that wealth could procure and violent collision with a lady who, was to be found there, for its owner like myself, was turning the corner of daughter, earte blanche in the exercise was a dense fog, and she was closely of her cultivated and refined tastes, vailed, so it is not wonderful that I His drughter—ah! how can I describe did not at first recognize her. "Miss her? Beautiful, intellectual, gracious, Browne! is it possible, and alone? 1

ner? Heantiful, intellectual, gracious, and an enthusiast about art, was it wonderful that I lost my heart long before I knew it? When I did discover it—but I must speak of the happy days that preceded the shock of that discovery.

As I had supposed, Mr. Browne's injury proved to be nothing more days. jury proved to be nothing more dan- hand, "indeed, I cannot let you;" but gerous than a severe sprain, but it the words were weak and faltering,

ridiculous manner. He was very much interested in my pictures, although he knew nothing about art, but he thought he did, and exclaimed at last—"our silence? It

criticisms, and was dangerously de-

analyze and define my feelings. fellow, you must make up your mind to thies and tastes in common, were so seemed to depend entirely upon his travel by a veritable Via Dolorosa constantly thrown together? I can daughter. She told me that when I constantly thrown together? I can conscientiously declare that, had I realized my danger, I should have fled cousin had just been refused by her. you have to live by it," said my friend alized my danger, I should have fled cousin had just been refused by her. Ted Ochre. "I have been through the long before I did, for I believed at that upon which he taxed her for enter-

> Reginald Vane, and some friends words and my interference and sudden down for the shooting, I lelt a vague faint. As a whole party had been presentiment that something unpleas-ant was in store for me, and insisted and Mr. Browne would have had me on taking up my quarters at the inn, carried to Dalchurst had it not been for I knew that with a house full of for his nephew's strenuous opposiyoung people whose sole idea was tion. amusement, while mine was work, I should be out of place and at a disadvantage. Genevieve, however, would coive Vane's attentions favorably.

exclaimed an irritable voice, belonging vieve, he made some insulting allu-to a stout elderly gentleman, who was sion to fortune-hunters, pointing his ried very quietly, both for the other struggling with swollen gouty fingers, remark with a look at me that no one coonomy, and also on account of her to turn the stiff handle of the door. could mistake, we came to an open father's declining health.

master had given the signal for the terview with Mr. Browne, to bid him a picture which, in spite of everybody. farewell.

opening the door as the train was dially. "So that jealous idiot has been ted with much satisfaction to his moving, shouted to me to "Stand showing his airs to you, ch? He daughter on the occasion of her marback!" and can to enforce his com-mand; but the irate passenger forced I knew you and could trust you." riage. He was getting quite children now, and she nursed and humored

nearly reshut, and jumped out, myself, so begging him to make my votion. falling as he did so with one foot excuses and adieux to Genevieve, I One morning, on coming down in between the platform and the train. departed, with the intention of seeing to the kitchen, I found her busily

The old gentleman must have begun to suspect the truth during this interview, for despite my own agita-tion, I noticed how worried and anx-

I was at the time at work on a landr, coming up.

"Hurt!" he replied, stuttering with reckoned, about a week longer in the to give it the place of honor in the rage. "I'll—I'll report every man neighborhood, but for the next day or dining-room." jack of you. If it had not been for two my picture made little or no progress; work seemed an impossibility.

Then a feverish energy seized me the porter sulkily; "you would get out I was presumptions enough to believe o' that that train arter she'd start that Genevieve returned my love; a a thousand significant triffes helped master, very deferentially, "if Jones is incentive to spur me on, I told myself looks as if there were another picture that I must quickly win the wealth underneath.' and position which would give me a I looked "The man is right enough so far," I right to speak. With a rapidity curjously, inturrupted; "but there was no one which surprised even myself, I finish." "So it do

"Gross neglect—ugh!" with a growl, the sun, and scarcely stopping while of pain; "and as sure as I'm a director the light lasted even to take necessary "My word!" I exclaim

fierce growl the sulky apologies of the through the wood with down-bent

was at some little distance from me, "I trust you're not seriously hurt, and as with eager steps I hurried forward, I perceived that she was not "Hurt!" he growled, with renewed alone. I stopped, dizzy and confound that the money belonged to him. "It "Hurt!" he growled, with renewed indignation. "I think I have only broken my leg, but that's nothing—nothing of any consequence!"

and I stopped, daz, and my rival. I stopped, daz, and m

she struggled to release herself. I

rushed madly forward. "It's a falsehood!" I heard her ex-

Then her face was turned toward me in surprise, delighted recognition, "Good gracious, sir! What can you fear, trouble, and the next moment

u? Get in!"

A world peopled with many faces, "Thank you, but I must find my in turn strange, familiar, compassionsome joyful, some the reverse; a con-"Bother it ail! Can't you see that fused agonized struggle after compre me. At first ber face was all that I Seeing that the kind-hearted but recognized, and soothed by the con-

"I beg pardon!" I exclaimed abwas rich, and allowed Genevieve, his a street in Hammersmith. There

kept him a prisoner for several days, and I ventured to disobey, and as I was always out at work till Drawing her hand through my

dinner-time, he grew to look forward arm, I walked by her side in silence, to my presence in the evening in quite for I could hear by her quick, irregular breathing that she was struggling

his daughter's sympathetic appreciation atoned for his incomprehensible strong again?"

By degrees I drew from her that they were quite poor now, and that Of course, I was mad, foolish, culpa- she was giving daily music lessons in ble, not to understand that it was order to support herself and her fathsomething more than intellectual sym- er, who was weak and ill, and terribly pathy which made our intercourse such a happiness to us both; but I suppose I was feeling too intensely to analyze and define my feelings.

altered. Quite poor indeed they were, and living in apartments, to which by her tasteful arrangement of the relies that remains to them of their prosper-I think, too, that as he knew my po- ons days. Genevieve had neverthesition, Mr. Browne acted in a most less managed to impart an air of re-thoughtful way, for he insisted that finement and elegance. It was only Genevieve should take lessons of me; just in time that I had found them, and what could be expect when two for poor old Mr. Browne was, as any young people, with so many sympa- one could see, quite broken up, and time that Genevieve was her father's taining an affection for a penniless heiress, while I was a poor, struggling fortune-hunter, who had been kicked out of Dalchurst as soon as her father When one morning my host an became aware of his presumptuous nounced that he expected his nephew, designs. Then followed her indignant

the country, where I hoped to recruit my health, at the same time that I pursued my studies.

I meant to live as cheaply as possible, and work hard all the time; yet

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The moment I saw Reginald Vane I carriage at Liverpool street, and, after a three hours' journey arrived at the quiet little country station for W—. After having ascertained from one of the porters that there were good lodgings to be had at the villege inn, I walked up the platform toward the place of exit. As I passed the first class carriages, my attention was arrested by one of the widows being let down in a violent hurry.

"Eh, porter! Where are they all?" exclaimed an irritable voice, belonging her mother she had inherited a sum

> Among the relies of The next morning I sought an in- grandeur, Mr. Browne had retained he had always persisted in believing "Tut, tut, man?" he answered cor- to be of great value. This he present But I knew that I could not trust him with unfailing swe tness and de

departed, with the intention of seeing to the kutchen. I found her busily engaged in cleaning her father's pic-

"What are you doing?" I asked. "I am trying to make this fold and valuable picture' look a little more decent," she replied, laughing gayly Poor papa has taken it into his head

Of course I grumbled, for it was realy and awful production, and equally of course, my darling coaxed me into acquiescence.

"Look hear, dear," she exclaimed very suddenly, "how oddly this paint me to this conclusion. With such an has peeled off here in the corner! It

I looked carelessly at first, then

"So it does," I replied, and taking near to open the carriage door, and at ed my picture, and began another to the cloth from her hand, I carefully continued the process till about four Day after day I worked, exposed to square inches had been cleaned off,

"My word!" I exclaimed, and Genvieve must have thought me mad. "I am afraid you are severely hurt." About three o'clock one afternoon I for catcaing up the picture, I hurried I interrupted; let me assist you to the had finished, and started to return to away with it to my studio, packed it the inn. I was feeling triumphantly up, tore out of the house, took a cab "No no; straight home at once; my excited-heart and brain were full of and in half an hour's time was excite-

To make a long story short, it turnporter, he limped painfully to his carriage. Just as I had helped him in the station-master hurried up, and looking up suddenly I saw her. She famous dath. It was sent to Christie

and Manson's and sold for £2,500. Mr. Browne's triumph may be easily imagined, but he would not allow was his dear girl's dowry," he said.

"So you see you have married an heiress, after all, you mean fortune hunter!" cried Genevieve, with glad tears in her eyes.

"Yes, and therefore I shall paint no more 'pot-boilers!'"I exclaimed. kept to this resolve, and next year had a picture in the academy.

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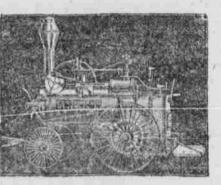
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